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SUBJECT: DISCUSSION OF TRADE PROBLEMS

1. VICE MINISTERS OF FOREIGN TRADE DLUGOSZ AND STRZELECKI CALLED CHARGE TO MINISTRY MARCH 21 TO DISCUSS 1) GOLF CART DUMPING CASE, 2) PROPOSED TEXTILE NEGOTIATIONS AND 3) DELAYS BY TWO US FIRMS IN CONSTRUCTION OF MEAT PLANTS.

2. AFTER STATING IN STRONG TERMS THEIR UNHAPPINESS AT THE MARCH 14 ANNOUNCEMENT THAT POLISH CARTS ARE BEING SOLD AT LESS THAN FAIR VALUE AND THAT CUSTOMS APPRAISAL WILL BE WITHHELD, THEY PROMISED TO PROVIDE EMBASSY MARCH 24, WITH STUDY SETTING OUT DETAILS OF THEIR CASE. WHEN THIS REPORT IS RECEIVED, EMBASSY WILL TELEGRAPH SUMMARY TO DEPARTMENT.

3. ON MEAT, THE VICE MINISTERS NOTED THAT THE TWO US FIRMS WHICH WERE CONSTRUCTING MEAT PLANTS IN POLAND (EPSTEIN AND ALAN SCOTT) HAD NOT MET THE SCHEDULES FOR PLANT COMPLETION AND THEY REQUESTED THE EMBASSY'S ASSISTANCE IN GETTING THE PLANTS COMPLETED SOON.

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4. ALTHOUGH THE MEAT PLANTS ARE BEHIND SCHEDULE, THE

POLISH SIDE SEEMS TO BEAR MORE THAN HALF THE BLAME
FOR THE DELAYS. THE INCREASED URGENCY THE POLISH
GOVERNMENT NOW EXHIBITS CONCERNING THE PLANTS MAY STEM
DIRECTLY FROM THE RECENT MEAT SUPPLY PROBLEM.

5. THE DISCUSSION CONCERNING TEXTILES IS BEING
REPORTED IN SEPTTEL.
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